# Child Care and Development Fund FACT SHEET

February, 2011 Montana

### Caseload

- 5,935 children were served this month in this program
- 3,698 families received subsidies for childcare through this program
- 6.0% of the families entered the program during this period
- · Yellowstone County accounted for 24.0% of all families served

#### Children

- 84.9% of children were served in licensed care
- 11.1% of children were cared for by relatives
- · Children under 1 year of age were in child care an average of 115 hours per month
- · School-age children (ages 6 and older) constitute 25.3% of all children served
- · White children accounted for 79.5% of all children served

#### **Families**

- 74.1% of families received subsidies because of employment
- 100.0% of families had copayments, at an average of 3.7% of income
- The average number of children served per family was 1.7
- 85.2% of families were headed by a single parent
- 16.8% of families listed TANF as a source of income

## **Expenditures**

- The average cost of care this month per child was \$424 (monthly subsidy + parent fee)
- Parents paid 8.3% of the cost and the program paid 91.7%
- · Average monthly expenditures for children under 1 year of age was \$448
- · Average monthly expenditures for school-age children (ages 6 and older) was \$292
- 82.6% of total expenditures were for children under 6 years of age

#### **Counties**

- The highest average cost of care was in Judith Basin County at \$742 per child
- Garfield County ranks first in relative care statewide with 80.0% of all children cared for by relatives.
- The county with the greatest percent of TANF recipients in the caseload was Wheatland County, where 50.0% of families receiving child care subsidies also received income from TANF